

Action Item

California Postsecondary Education Commission

Approval of the Minutes of the October 16
and November 3, 2000, Meetings

MINUTES

California Postsecondary Education Commission

Meeting of October 16, 2000

**Commissioners
present** Guillermo Rodriguez, Jr., *Chair*
Alan S. Arkatov, *Vice Chair*
Carol Chandler
Robert Hanff
Lance Izumi
Kyo “Paul” Jhin
Velma Montoya
Ralph Pesqueira
Roger Schrimp
Kyh Smeby
Howard Welinsky

**Commissioner
arriving after the
roll call** Evonne Seron Schulze

**Commissioners
absent** Monica Lozano
Melinda G. Wilson

Call to order Chair Rodriguez called the October 16, 2000 meeting of the California Postsecondary Education Commission to order at 8:15 a.m. in the California State University, Fresno, Smittcamp Alumni House, Board of Directors-Whitten Conference Room, 2625 E. Keats, Fresno, California. He asked for a call of the roll.

Call of the roll Judy Harder called the roll and all Commissioners were present, except Lozano and Wilson.

**Approval
of the minutes** A motion was made to adopt the minutes of the Commission meeting of August 21, 2000. It was moved, seconded and approved without dissent to adopt the minutes.

**Comments by
President Welty** Chair Rodriguez thanked California State University, Fresno President John Welty for hosting the Commission meeting. He invited President Welty to speak.

President Welty welcomed the Commission to Fresno and thanked them for coming. He stressed the importance of higher education in the Central Valley, and acknowledged the Commission's goal of promoting access, affordability and accountability. Among the issues he addressed were the following:

- ◆ Better workforce preparation through higher education is needed in the Central Valley;
- ◆ There is a need to improve academic preparation, overall higher education enrollment, and increase community college transfers in the region;
- ◆ He cited the work of the Central Valley Higher Education Consortium;
- ◆ There is a need to develop joint-degree programs, and expand graduate and professional degree programs in the Central Valley; and
- ◆ He cited a need to address intersegmentally the regional educational needs and provide innovative opportunities for students in the Central Valley.

**Report of the
Executive Director**

Chair Rodriguez asked Executive Director Warren Fox for his report.

Director Fox also thanked President Welty and his staff for their hospitality. He acknowledges that there is a need to improve college-going rate in the Central Valley.

Director Fox commented on SB 1644, new legislation on the Cal Grant Program recently signed by Governor Davis. He said it was important to the students of California. He said there would be time in the December meeting devoted to discussing student financial aid.

Director Fox reported on the recently proposed University of California so-called "dual" eligibility and admission plan. He handed out a synopsis of the proposal that is now under discussion (See Appendix A).

Commissioner Montoya commented that the new admission proposal would not lower eligibility, but would help students stay on the path to UC admission. There was a general discussion about the new proposal including questions about the impact on community college transfer students and other aspects of the proposal. There will be further discussion at the December meeting to which UC President Atkinson has been invited. It was also suggested that the appropriate faculty representatives be invited as well.

Director Fox discussed the Commission-administered Eisenhower Professional Development State Grant Program located in the Central Valley. He said the Commission has administered the Eisenhower Program since 1985, and that it currently has a \$6.5 million annually to award grants on a competitive basis to improve science and mathematics and other subjects. He discussed a joint program between the Fresno Unified School District and CSU Fresno. It is called the Science and Mathematics Pre-service Partnership Program also known as the SMP 3 program. He asked Commission staff member Linda White, who coordinates the Eisenhower Program, to make a presentation.

Ms. White said CSU Fresno had a number of successful Eisenhower projects and other related science and mathematics undertakings. She introduced James Marshall, a CSU

Fresno science professor and co-director of the local Eisenhower project, and Jerry Valadez, science coordinator for the Fresno Unified School District.

Mr. Marshall reviewed the SMP 3 project. Among the highlights of the presentation was the following:

- ♦ CSU Fresno is committed to improving the quality and quantity of teachers in the Central Valley and throughout California;
- ♦ The SMP 3 Program is designed to improve the mathematics and science component of the liberal studies degree program at CSU Fresno;
- ♦ Teaching is the career goal of most liberal study students;
- ♦ The requirement for mathematics and science for students in this major has grown from nine to a minimum of 22 units;
- ♦ The campus participated with CTC in creating a fully approved blended program for teachers;
- ♦ There has been a ten-fold increase over the last three years in the number of liberal arts students who concentrate in mathematics and science as part of their teacher training; and
- ♦ The program has established counseling services for liberal art students who are concentrating in mathematics and science.

Mr. Valadez said there has been a long standing relationship between the Fresno Unified District and CSU. The SMP 3 program now makes university mathematics and science course work available at times when K-6 teachers are better able to participate. He said 50 to 60 K-6 teachers now serve as mentors for undergraduate students who are getting early induction classroom experience. SMP 3 students have good employment prospects within the district. He reported that the participation in district activities by CSU Fresno has moved from informality to formal and full participation.

There was a general discussion about the specific SMP 3 mathematics and science course requirements for CSU Fresno teacher candidates, and the prospect for disseminating the program to other parts of the state. There will be a conference to discuss this topic with the CSU system in May 2001.

**Report of the
Statutory Advisory
Committee**

Chair Rodriguez called upon Statutory Advisory Committee Chair Christopher Cabaldon for his report.

Mr. Cabaldon said the committee had met on October 10, 2000 and had extensive discussion about several of the agenda items, particularly the academic program item. There was an extensive discussion about the UC dual admission proposal. He said the community colleges are very supportive of this proposal. It is viewed as a step forward to reducing uncertainty and risk in the transfer process; one that will lead to the significant improvement in transfers.

Mr. Cabaldon said there were several items about the sectors reported to committee, including the following:

- ♦ The University of California reported that it will be studying employment and labor issues throughout the California economy in a partnership between UCLA and UC Berkeley;
- ♦ The State Department of Education reported that entering freshmen this year will be the first to be required to complete the high school exit exam to graduate with a diploma; and
- ♦ The Community Colleges reported that the 50-percent law audit, an artifact of the former association with the K-12 system, will likely be brought to Legislature in January. In the last 15 years, faculty has been playing a larger role in governing the community colleges and that time is not counted toward the 50 percent law requirement.

Mr. Cabaldon announced that University of California representative, Judith Ellis, a long-time member and former chair of the statutory committee, would be leaving to focus on other responsibilities at UC.

Recess	Chair Rodriguez recessed the meeting at 9:29 a.m. in order to convene the Educational Policy and Programs Committee.
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Reconvene/Recess	Chair Rodriguez reconvened the Commission meeting at 2:34 p.m. He asked Commissioner Jhin to convene the Fiscal Policy and Analysis Committee.
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Reconvene	Chair Rodriguez reconvened the meeting at 2:51 p.m. in order to take the report of the Governmental Relations Committee.
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Report of the Governmental Relations Committee	<p>Committee Vice Chair Izumi reported that the committee had voted to adopt a resolution in support of the intent of Proposition 39. He read the resolution:</p> <p>The California Postsecondary Education Commission, based upon its historic interest and analysis of the issues surrounding enrollment and capacity, expresses its support for the intent of Proposition 39, and instructs its staff to take appropriate steps and provide relevant and appropriate data and information to all interested parties.</p>
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Committee Vice Chair Izumi moved the report for adoption by the full Commission. It was seconded. The motion on the floor passed. There was one dissenting vote.

Commission meeting dates for 2001-02	Chair Rodriguez discussed the information item on proposed Commission meeting dates for 2001-02. Director Fox commented on the possibility of moving the meeting in February to the 11 th and 12 th . He also noted that there would be the same number of
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meetings in an annual period, but with no meeting scheduled for an August date. He said the item comes back for final approval at the December meeting.

Commissioner Chandler noted that February 12 is Lincoln's Birthday and, therefore, a holiday.

Director Fox said staff would recheck the calendar and would present options for the consideration of the commissioners at the December meeting. He said staff would coordinate with Chair Rodriguez to set the February date.

**Report of the
Nominating
Committee**

Chair Rodriguez called upon Committee Chair Smeby to report on nominations for the Commission's 2001 officers.

Committee Chair Smeby reported the following nominations would be brought back for action at the December meeting:

- ♦ *Commission Chairperson*, Alan Arkatov
- ♦ *Commission Vice Chairperson*, Carol Chandler
- ♦ *Executive Committee Chairperson*, Alan Arkatov
- ♦ *Executive Committee Vice Chairperson*, Carol Chandler
- ♦ *Educational Policy and Programs Committee*, Ralph Pesqueira, *Chair*; Kyo "Paul" Jhin, *Vice Chair*
- ♦ *Fiscal Policy and Analysis Committee*, Lance Izumi, *Chair*, Roger Schrimp, *Vice Chair*
- ♦ *Governmental Relations Committee*, Howard Welinsky, *Chair*, Evonne Schulze, *Vice Chair*
- ♦ *Committee on Education Code Section 66905*, *Chair*, Guillermo Rodriguez, Jr.
- ♦ *Nominating Committee*, Melinda Wilson, *Chair*, Guillermo Rodriguez, Jr. and Ralph Pesqueira, *Members*.

Adjournment

Director Fox thanked President Welty for hosting the meeting.

Having no further business, the Chair Rodriguez adjourned the meeting at 3:00 p.m.

Appendix A

CALIFORNIA POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION COMMISSION

University of California Admission Proposal Synopsis

University of California President Richard Atkinson announced on September 20 his intention to begin a focused discussion regarding a proposed change in the University's approach to eligibility and admission. The proposal under discussion is in its initial stage of development.

The University currently admits the students who rank in the top 12.5 percent of all students statewide, regardless of high school, through a system based on their high school grades and SAT scores, so long as they have taken the requisite preparatory curriculum. In addition, the University guarantees admission to the top four percent of graduates at every high school in California, provided that they take a college preparatory curriculum. This proposal is designed to guarantee provisional admission, at the upper division level, to not only the best students statewide but also to the top 12.5 percent of students at every high school in the State.

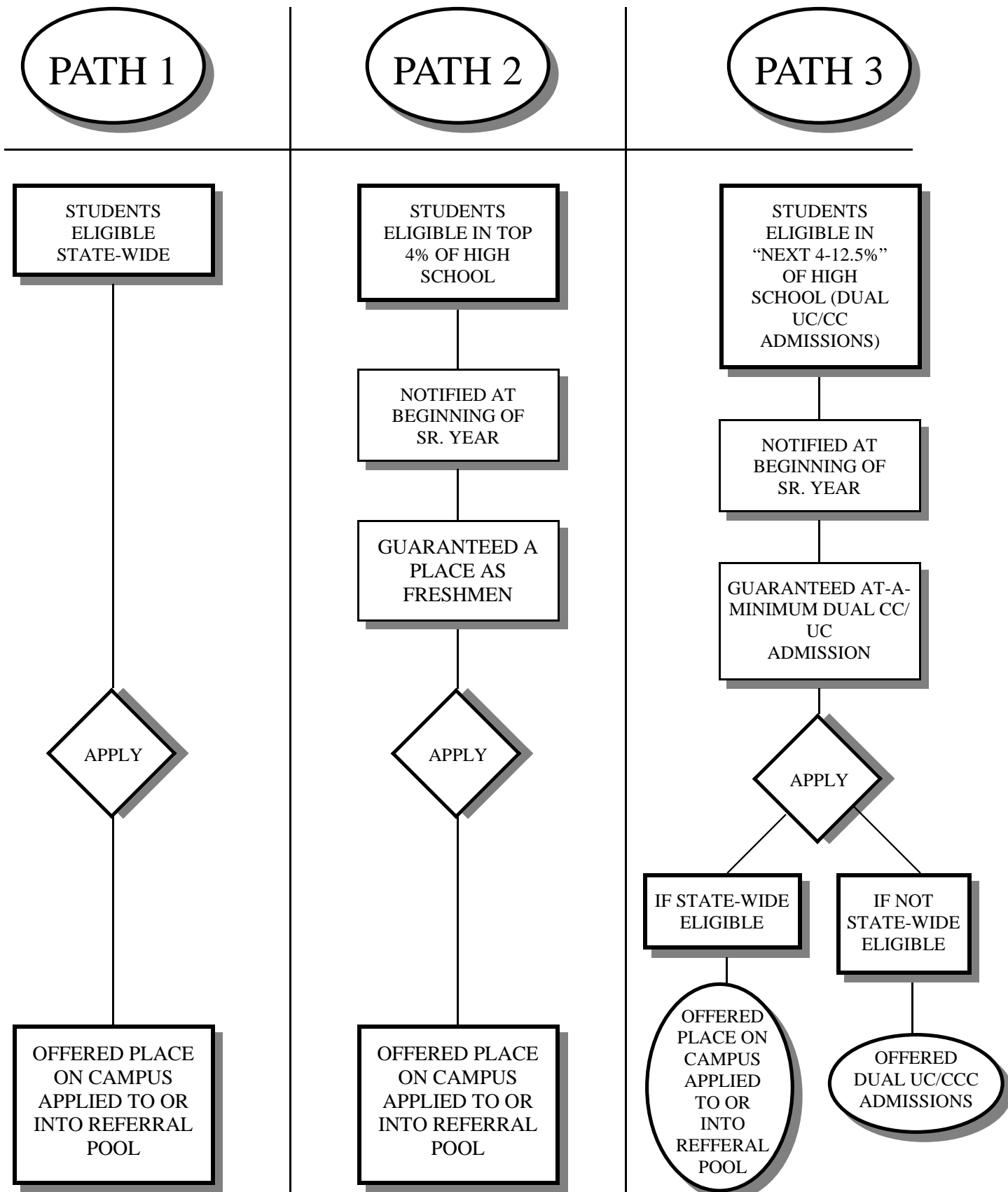
The proposed dual admission plan would require intermediate steps for many of the students. Those who do not immediately meet the University's eligibility requirements would be required to attend a community college first. If they successfully completed a program intended to prepare them for the University and maintain a minimum grade point average, they would be guaranteed a place at one of the University of California campuses.

The following points characterize this new proposal:

- ◆ Students who fall between the top 4 percent and the top 12.5 percent of their high school graduating class, but are not statewide eligible, would be admitted simultaneously to a community college and a UC campus.
- ◆ After satisfactorily fulfilling their freshman and sophomore requirements at a community college, they would complete their upper division studies at the UC campus to which they were admitted originally.
- ◆ The dual admission plan would not expand the freshman eligibility pool beyond the established 12.5 percent Master Plan level.
- ◆ This path would grant admission to an additional 8.5 percent of top students from each high school provided they satisfactorily complete a transfer program at a community college.
- ◆ This proposed effort would in effect constitute a dual admission program that is intended to strengthen the University of California's relations with the California Community Colleges.
- ◆ It is intended to extend the long-term viability of the Master Plan for Higher Education.
- ◆ The proposal is intended to send a signal to students all over the state, from urban and rural schools, from all ethnic groups and all socio-economic groups, that they have a clear path to a UC degree.

As currently advanced, the earliest that students will be enrolled under the proposed plan will be September 2002, but more likely, should the plan be implemented, it will be 2003.

THREE PATHS TO UC ADMISSIONS



MINUTES

California Postsecondary Education Commission

Meeting of November 3, 2000

Commissioners present Guillermo Rodriguez, Jr., *Chair*
Carol Chandler
Robert Hanff
Lance Izumi
Monica Lozano
Velma Montoya
Ralph Pesqueira
Roger Schrimp
Evonne Seron Schulze
Howard Welinsky
Melinda G. Wilson

Commissioner arriving after the roll call Alan S. Arkatov, *Vice Chair*
Kyo “Paul” Jhin

Commissioners absent Kyhl Smeby

Call to order Chair Rodriguez called the November 3, 2000 meeting of the California Postsecondary Education Commission to order at 8:00 a.m. He noted that the meeting had received public notice and was being conducted via teleconference. He said there was public access at three locations: the California Postsecondary Education Commission, Conference Room, 1303 J Street, Suite. 500, Sacramento; OnLineLearning.Net, Conference Room, 555 S. Flower Street, Suite. 2880, Los Angeles; and Pacific Gas and Electric Company, 77 Beale Street, Conference Room 2950, San Francisco. He asked for a call of the roll.

Call of the roll Judy Harder called the roll and all Commissioners were present, except Smeby. (Commissioners Arkatov and Jhin joined the meeting at 8:08 and 8:10 a.m., respectively.) Chair Rodriguez was at the San Francisco site, Commissioner Welinsky at the Los Angeles site, and Commissioner Izumi at the Sacramento site.

Meeting quorum and special guests Chair Rodriguez announced that there was a quorum for the meeting. He welcomed and introduced three special guests also participating in the meeting via telephone. They

were State Senator Jack O'Connell, Gary Hammerstrom , the Assistant Vice Chancellor Academic Affairs for the CSU Chancellor's Office, and Handel Evans, President of CSU, Channel Islands campus.

**Review of the
Needs Study for
CSU, Channel
Islands**

Chair Rodriguez said the Commission was meeting as a committee of the whole. He asked Executive Director Warren Fox to explain the purpose of the meeting.

Director Fox reported that this meeting was being held at the request of the commissioners. He said the purpose is to consider, as an action item, the needs analysis study submitted to the Commission for the proposed CSU Channel Islands campus. He said the staff analysis of this proposal for a new California State University Campus had been heard as an information item at the Commission meeting held October 16th in Fresno.

Also present at the Fresno meeting, Director Fox said, were representatives from CSU, including Channel Islands' President Evans. As a result of that Fresno meeting, the commissioners elected to schedule a special public meeting to consider the final approval of the Channel Islands report. Director Fox indicated that, once approved, the Commission action would be transmitted to the Legislature and the Governor. He said this action would also help expedite the process of accreditation being sought for the campus from the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC). He said that, should the Commission approve the proposal today, WASC could be notified immediately of that important action. He asked Commission staff member Beth Graybill to present an overview of the report's findings.

Ms. Graybill reported that CSU submitted a proposal for a full-service Channel Islands campus in Ventura County. She said it will offer lower division, upper division, and graduate educational services. She said it will operate in tandem with CSU Northridge Ventura Center as that existing facility is phased out, probably around 2005 or 2006.

She said the Channel Islands campus will open in 2002 with about 13,020 full time equivalent students, and will admit its first freshmen in 2003. It will have a master-plan ceiling of 15,000 full time students. She said the student enrollment projections have been approved by the Department of Finance and that Commission staff concurs.

Ms. Graybill said that the academic programs discussed at the October Commission meeting reflect educational and labor-market needs of the region. The capital costs are projected to be approximately \$112 million through 2011, with on-going support cost of at least \$21.4 million during the first four years. She said staff has concluded that the proposed campus will help meet statewide and local enrollment demand, will serve the community and foster a college-going culture in the area, develop an academic master plan that is responsive to regional and education labor market needs, and provide cost savings through the adaptive re-use of buildings and the use of non-state resources.

Ms. Graybill said that, based on these findings, staff recommend that California State University, Channel Islands should be authorized as the 23rd campus of the California State University System. She said staff was also recommending that CSU provide:

- ♦ By March 2001, a timetable for WASC accreditation of the Channel Islands campus;

- ♦ A copy of the CSU Northridge Ventura Center and CSU Channel Island transition plan; and
 - ♦ A copy of the academic master plan for the full-service CSU Channel Islands campus.
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**Motion to approve
the CSU, Channel
Islands proposal**

Director Fox said the overview of the staff needs assessment on CSU Channel Islands campus was concluded. He recommended that it would be appropriate for Commissioner Carol Chandler, who chairs the Educational Policy and Programs Committee, to make a motion containing the conditions set forth in the staff presentation. Following such a motion, it would be appropriate to have a discussion among commission members and take public comment.

Chair Rodriguez agreed and called upon Commissioner Chandler.

Commission Chandler made the following motion:

In recognition of the Commission's desire to facilitate and expedite the accreditation process of the proposed California State University Channel Islands campus, the Commission shall immediately advise the Governor, Legislature, and the public that the State authorize the development of California State University Channel Islands as the 23rd campus of the California State University. Also, that the CSU be directed to provide: (A) by March 2001, a timetable for obtaining Western Association of Schools and Colleges accreditation for this campus; (B) a copy of the transition plan approved for the California State University Northridge Ventura Center and CSU Channel Island; and (C) a copy of the campus academic master plan

Commissioner Chandler said her motion also included that the California State University be directed to provide the Commission with a briefing and status report in October 2001 on a development of the campus, including its program, finances, entrepreneurial activities, and its effort to maintain collaborative relationships with the local community colleges and the independent institutions.

Chair Rodriguez thanked Commissioner Chandler for her motion. He acknowledged a second from Commissioner Schrimp. He opened the floor to discussion and called upon Senator O'Connell.

Senator O'Connell thanked the Commission. He said the CSU Channel Islands campus is critically important to both the Ventura County and the Central Coast region, and the statewide system of higher education. He cited the Commission's enrollment projection of more than 700,000 additional students by 2010. He said many more students must be accommodated over the next 10 years and that the new CSU campus would be part of the solution.

Senator O'Connell said that having a public four-year institution in the area had been under discussion for some four decades and that, until the proposal for this campus, Ventura County had been the largest county in the state without a four-year public university campus.

Senator O’Connell maintained that the CSU Channel Islands campus would be a very cost-effective project that would utilize existing resources. He said the universal level of support expressed for the new campus was unprecedented in his 18 years in the Legislature. Support has been forthcoming from community groups and from both the business and the educational sectors. He said that local government — both cities and the counties — has come up with incentives to assist with financial mechanism needed to make the new college a success. He also cited the strong support for the project from Governors Wilson and Davis. He commended Commission staff for a job well done.

At the request of Commissioner Pesqueira, Channel Islands President Evans discussed ongoing discussions and efforts between CSU and local community colleges to facilitate the student transfer process and to address issues of remedial education. He said there had been nothing but support from the local community college campuses for the new CSU facility. In response to Commissioner Jhin, Mr. Evans said those discussions too are underway also with independent institutions and UC, Santa Barbara.

Vice Chair Arkatov commented that the day’s proceedings demonstrate that, with cooperation from the systems and well-done proposals, the Commission is both capable and willing to respond in traditional and nontraditional fashion in order to best serve the public interest in higher education matters.

Commissioner Schulze called the question. Chair Rodriguez inquired and no member of the public asked to comment or speak.

Chair Rodriguez complimented staff on the quality of the report.

Roll call vote	Chair Rodriguez requested that the vote be recorded by roll call. The motion carried unanimously, with all Commissioners present responding, when called in turn, with an “aye” or affirmative vote. These were: Chair Rodriguez and Vice Chair Arkatov; and Commissioners Chandler, Hanff, Izumi, Jhin, Lozano, Montoya, Pesqueira, Schrimp, Schulze, Welinsky, and Wilson.
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Adjournment	Chair Rodriguez thanked the staff, commissioners, and Senator O’Connell for their respective participation in the meeting. Having no further business, he adjourned the Commission meeting at 8:20 a.m.
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